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RESPIRATORY CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Date: March 16, 2012

Time 9:05am

Location: LSBME Office

Recorder: Sue Davis

Present: Raymond Pisani, Doug Greene, Diana Merendino, Brett Stafford, Ken Alexander, Dr. Russell Klein, Dave Vicknair, Dr. Susie Allen, Dr. Cecilia Mouton, Sheila Guidry, Dr. Judd Shellito, Joe Brock

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	RECOMMENDATIONS / ACTIONS
I. Call to order / establish quorum	Quorum established	
II. Approval of minutes	Motion to accept minutes: Ken Alexander 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Dr. Klein Yea – 9, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0	
III. Investigations: Dr. Celia Mouton	Celia Mouton Director of investigations asks for questions relative to investigations. She will refer issues to committee to assess impact of specific problems. Dr. Mouton reminds us that our committee opinion should not be based on emotions but rather to protect the public and the profession.	NA
IV. Rules and Regulations testing: Dr. Susie Allen	Dr. Allen explained rationale for questions and changes she has made to submitted questions. The committee made several suggestions to clarify the questions/answers. A question regarding offering a CE for subsequent renewals was made. Dr. Allen said that this is up to the committee. This would not be available for the new applicants but for renewals only. The committee is recommending a 5 year annual review and test.	Dr. Allen will send revisions to the questions reviewed to the committee members. Dr. Allen will also have committee members review the website before it is launched. The committee will review whether to offer 1 CE for renewal review of Rules and Regulations and posttest.
V. Old Business	No old business	
VI. New Business HB 83: Polysomnography HB 515: Clinical Lab Scientist Practice	Conference call with Mr. Phil Bergeron and Dr. Marier regarding HB 83 and 515	

<p>Act Career Technical College Advisory Opinion</p>	<p>HB 83: Discussion was held whether to recommend an amendment to HB 83 to include RT's. Ken Alexander explained the changes simply reinstate the allowance of students to practice under observation and takes away the sunset time limit. Mr. Bergeron feels that the language does not exclude respiratory therapists. As it is written, students can be supervised by respiratory therapists RT's who are properly trained in polysomnography.</p> <p>The committee consensus is that we eliminate the proposed respiratory therapy amendment and leave language as it is currently written</p> <p>Other amendments proposed to the polysomnography act include</p> <p>1<sup>st</sup>: Establish requirements to rule making process BRPT registry has numbers of pathways for registry and wants to promote CAAHEP approved program to obtain licensure. It requires more education for students entering the field.</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> create a temporary permit for practice similar to respiratory therapists.</p> <p>3<sup>rd</sup>: develop an acronym with definition for profession to designate licensure as a polysomnographer (not in act but rules and regs). Mr. Bergeron will send to us for review however this will not impact respiratory therapists.</p> <p><b><u>HB 515</u></b> <b><u>Discussion related to pg 2 Part B paragraph 5</u></b></p> <p>Mr. Bergeron and Dr. Marier discussed their interpretation of this language. Mr. Bergeron seems to feel that initial language of 'current' (line 25) means 'those currently possessing a license' and does not refer</p>	<p>HB 83: No amendment recommended at this time</p> <p>Mr. Bergeron will forward changes to polysomnography practice act and rules and regulations as new proposals come forward</p>
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	<p>to subsequent practitioners. However the committee disagreed with this interpretation. Both Mr. Bergeron and Dr. Marier feel that new therapists would fall under of exemption.</p> <p>Other issues the committee feels burdensome is the language ‘Point of Care testing’ (Part B, Paragraph 5, line 26). Many ABG labs are not considered ‘point of care’ and would not fall within the exemption.</p> <p>The committee , Mr. Bergeron and Dr. Marier agreed on the following language for an amendment to HB 515</p> <p>Part B, Paragraph 5, line 25 Delete the word ‘currently’</p> <p>Part B, Paragraph 5, line 26 Delete the word ‘who’</p> <p>Part B, Paragraph 5, line 26 Delete the phrase ‘provides point of care testing’</p> <p>The amended paragraph would read:</p> <p>Any individual licensed as a health care provider by an agency of this state while practicing under such license and meet the requirements of the Clinic Laboratory Improvement act of 1988, 42 Code of Federal Regulation Part 493 et seq/ as amended</p> <p>All in agreement with the recommendations. Motion to recommend the amendemnt: Diana Merendino, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sheila Guidry Yea – 9, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0</p>	<p>HB 515: Recommend an amendment with the following changes:</p> <p>Part B, Paragraph 5, line 25 Delete the word ‘currently’</p> <p>Part B, Paragraph 5, line 26 Delete the word ‘who’</p> <p>Part B, Paragraph 5, line 26 Delete the phrase ‘provides point of care testing’</p> <p>The digest must also reflect such changes</p>
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	<p>Make sure digest at back of document reflects the suggested changes</p> <p>New business- new Rules and Regs went into effect Jan 20, 2012. The CE's are the main issue. All CE's obtained after Jan 20, 2012 must be an approved agency and the number of CE credits as stated in the law. If they don't meet criteria they are allowed a 90 day extension to complete the requirements.</p> <p>Career Technical College proprietary school asked for withdrawal of accreditation.</p> <p>Advisory opinion relative to licensure status regarding a HIPPA violation. After discussion and review the committee makes the following recommendation Motion made by Brett Stafford to: Recommend that Stephanie Cobb's license be placed on probation for 3 years and that she must attend an ethics course. She must disclose violation to future employers</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> – Dr. Shellito Yea – 9, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0</p>	<p>The committee recommends that Stephanie Cobb's license be placed on probation for 3 years; that she be mandated to attend an ethics course and that she must disclose this violation to future employers.</p>
VII. CEU Audit	Dr.'s Klein and Shellito excused from meeting and CEU audits performed by the remaining committee members.	
VIII. Next Meeting	No date has been set for the next meeting.	
IX. Meeting Adjourned	Motion for meeting to adjourn – Doug Greene 2 <sup>nd</sup> Brett Stafford. Meeting adjourned at 12:17	

Submitted: Sue Davis: March 19, 2012